

ST SWITHIN'S CHURCH CLUNBURY



HARVEST THANKSGIVING
FRIDAY 6 OCTOBER
7.00pm

Followed by a **HARVEST SUPPER**
in Clunbury Village Hall
Licensed bar
Tickets £6



Clunton 100 Club

Invitations have been sent around Clunton to join the St Mary's Church, Clunton 100 Club. Our aim is to hold the first draw before Christmas, so please contact Pat if you would like to join. Anyone and everyone welcome!!! Application forms from Pat Harding Tel: 01588 660169.

Clunbury Churchyard Working Days AND Hot Dogs for Lunch!

You are invited to come and help in the churchyard on Saturdays 21 and 28 October between 10am and 2pm. Can you spare some time to help in the churchyard, clearing self-seeded trees and ivy and brambles?

Strimmers are welcome (we need to clear brambles), and will be kept well clear of children and dogs.

Flu Clinic at Bishop's Castle Medical Practice from 21 September to 30 November. Mondays and Thursdays 5pm to 6 pm. No appointment required.

FOOD, FOLLIES & FUN QUIZ



Clunton Village hall

Friday 3 November, 7.00pm

£12.00

Includes:
Illustrated



talk by

Stephen Treasure

Hot Supper & Quiz

In aid of St Mary's Church, Clunton

Visit from the Bishop

Bishop Richard of Hereford will be taking a service at Hopesay (9.45 am) and Clunbury(11.15am) on Sunday 15 October. There will be Lunch at 12.45pm in Clunbury Village Hall. Everyone is welcome to come.

APPLE JUICING DAY

Saturday 14 October

Clunton Village Hall

10 – 4.00pm

Soup and Puddings

To book: Anne Shepherdson
01588 660309

OR

Just come!

Please send your contributions by the 20th of each month

Autumn Adventures

This autumn term, children (and teachers) from Clunbury Primary School will be exploring wild places in the Clun Valley.



With the help of the AONB Partnership and Shropshire Wildlife Trust, the school-children and their teachers are working towards their John Muir Award.

This is an environmental award scheme to connect people to their local countryside. The challenges set encourage awareness and responsibility for the natural environment, in a spirit of fun, adventure and exploration. The children have to complete four challenges; Discover, Explore, Conserve and Share. Four field visits are planned to the River Clun, Bury Ditches, Clunton Coppice and Brynmawr Farm. On these visits, the children will explore and learn about their local countryside and carry out conservation tasks to benefit local habitats and wildlife.

This project has received funding from the Shropshire Hills AONB Conservation Fund. More information about the John Muir Award can also be found at

<https://www.johnmuirtrust.org/john-muir-award>

Cath Landles

WOODLAND FAIR

Chapel Lawn Village (SY7 0BW)

Saturday 7 October

10am to 4.30pm

Evening talk: 7.30pm

50 stalls of woodland-related arts & crafts
Demonstrations, talks, hot food & drinks

Tickets: £4 in advance or £4.50 on the gate; 5-15 yrs: £2. Under 5s: free
Evening talk: £3



Horse logging
Clog maker
Trees ID
Hedge laying
Log machine
Foraging
Bees & Honey
Traction engine
Cob oven pizzas
Coppicing
& more!

Story telling
Face painting
Forest school



Evening talk
'Chapel Lawn's
Caer Caradoc
Hillfort & Iron
Age Shropshire'
Dr Andy Wigley
Book early
Places limited

Tickets, programme & more info: 01547 530347
patrick@cosgr.plus.com

Event supported by Shropshire Housing Group & the Shropshire Hills AONB Conservation Fund

Memories from Adrian Davies

In 1978 my parents brought my brother and me on holiday to the beautiful Shropshire countryside where we stayed in a caravan on Llan Farm with John and Doris Morgan and Ivor.

I stayed on for the rest of the school holidays and had some incredible adventures and returned over the next few years with my brother during the school holidays.

During my first stay as a 13 year old in 1978 I travelled in Brian Morgan's Land Rover with him as we towed Ivor who steered the combine harvester from Kingsland back to the Llan, I kept in touch with John, Doris and Ivor until a road accident in 1990 put me back a few years

Anyway, my wife and I have been catching up this year and had some lovely times staying with Ray and Wendy Heighway at Wayside, Aston-on-Clun and I'm sending you 2 pictures of Sandra and Brian Morgan on their trap with their lovely Jigsaw as they travelled around the Purslow show in the sweetest way possible that I can think of, seeing the sights of the beautiful Shropshire countryside. Regards and best wishes.

Adrian and Julie Davies



Garden and Produce Show

The Annual Garden and Produce Show was held last Saturday, 2 September, at Lydbury North Village Hall in what is an important year for the Club. Established 30 years ago, we are celebrating our Pearl Anniversary. We hoped this year's show would be a good one. We were not disappointed.



Prize winners: Mike Wall, Allison Walter, Derek Mattey, Eileen Mattey, Marjorie Davis, Jonathan Salmon, Judith Shone, June Jones

The sun shone, and many tried their luck entering one or more of over eighty categories. The biggest leeks, the tastiest bakes, even the longest weed - something for everyone! The hall overflowed with fabulous floral and vegetable displays, as well as prize-winning photography, bakes, home-made produce and

handicrafts, making it one of the most memorable shows yet.

The show proved to be very popular, with many coming to see the display, picking up tips and asking questions. Some even bought a few plants for themselves. There were delicious home-baked cakes and all was washed down with a nice cup of tea. A great day out. Start planning for next year. It's fun. *Sara Metcalf*

Don't Fall Out Of Love With Winter

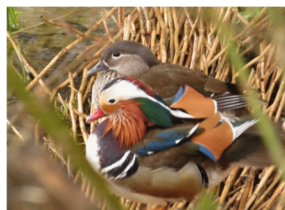
A talk by Paul Hervey-Brookes
Wednesday 25 October, 7.30pm
Lydbury North Village Hall

Paul is an internationally acclaimed garden designer and plantsman.

Are you one of those gardeners who only take an interest in their garden from March to September? If, as you stare out of your window during the winter, your garden seems dull and uninspiring, this may be the talk for you. Using his design skills and plant knowledge, Paul will show you how to turn your patch into a place of interest and colour that will lift the spirits in even the bleakest months. Free to members; visitors £5. Queries to Sandy Burton 680454 or Carol Clarke 660753 or check our website: www.gardeningshropshire.co.uk

Mandarins Move In

Chinese Couple Grace Kempton was the title of a piece I wrote for the Post in May 2011, following my first sighting of a pair of Mandarin Ducks on the Kemp. Native to the Far East, these brightly plumaged birds were first brought to England in the eighteenth century. Bit by bit they have become established in the wild, although they were not seen with any frequency in Shropshire until the late 1980s. Now they are a fixture, and every local river has nesting birds. In 2015 I found five pairs on the Clun between Purslow Bridge and Clunton and saw two broods. At the end of March this year I counted as many as 21 birds just downstream of Purslow Bridge where later there was a brood, and there was another at Oaker. The females are predominantly grey-brown but have a neat white eye-ring and a line of white extending back to the nape, but the plumage of the males is beyond exotic: he has a fine crest, a generous ruff and two prominent 'sails' all coloured in a bold mix of orange, chestnut, green, blue, purple, gold, bronze, buff, white and black. It is perhaps because of this bright plumage that birds keep to cover and proliferate un-noticed. Mandarins will feed at night and are partial to acorns which are plentiful this year. Listen out for them at dusk when they fly out to feed: the males emit a squeaky whistle, the females a throaty grunt. *Tom Wall*



Parish Council Meeting 21 Sept

Six councillors present and three members of the public. Apologies from M Jones, D Hill, and S Morgan.

Cllr Davies proposed that a note be sent to M Jones to wish him prompt recovery from his knee operation.

Matters arising from minutes of last meeting

Footbridge at Clunbury: nothing has been done. The clerk suggested that the Parish Council escalate their action by sending emails and letters to higher authorities in Shropshire Council, copied to Nigel Hartin and the legal department. The bridge is not safe and, with Arriva Wales promoting the use of footpaths along the Heart of Wales line, more people might wish to use this bridge.

Twitchen notice board: now fully functional.

Planning: Three applications have been approved:

Removal of hedgerow on land near Coston Manor

Alterations to lean-to conservatory, The Orchard, Clunton

Alterations at Lyndale, Clunton

There had been a site meeting at Kempton Farm regarding the proposed new development. Cllr Hoskins suggested that the discussion at that meeting should be minuted.

Roads: *Clunton:* Cllr Harding offered to contact the police again regarding speeding.

Twitchen: Cllr Bailey explained that the latest proposal for the current 30mph limit and signage in entering the village from Hopton Heath should remain. However, on entering the village from the Purslow direction, the 30mph limit is reached too early, and drivers accelerate after the sign. It is suggested that this sign should be replaced by a 40mph sign and that the 30mph should be further up the road (eg towards the turning to the old chapel).

Kempton: the signs on the B4385 needed to be tidied up to enhance their

impact.

The sign near the T bridge indicating the ford is confusing: delivery vans and lorries think that they cannot access the west side of the village. It would be better placed closer to the ford (eg just before No 17).

Clunton Brook: site meeting to be arranged.

Correspondence: Notices regarding the electoral roll are to be displayed on the notice board in each village.

Finance: Accounts: £6988.24; Expenses: ca £428.

Grant application to the Transparency Fund: £1,122 has been calculated to cover for laptop, printer/scanner and training for the Parish Clerk.

NHS: S Jones reported that the Shropshire A&E departments are rated amongst the worst in the country. Our hospitals are also amongst the least well-funded. Chief Executives were called to London by the Government to explain the poor performance. Should it not improve, the Trust could be penalised (which would only compound the problem). Local GP surgeries are running well.

Public consultation on 'Future Fit' should start in October, but finance and needs analyses should be set in motion first. S Jones suggested that it would be wise to have a public meeting before people respond to the consultation, to ensure that they understand fully the implications of their answers. A meeting should therefore take place in November, probably in Clunbury Village Hall, when officials would be asked to explain the options and answer questions.

AOB: *Appeal to walkers (with or without a dog):* would you be willing to report on any situation where trees could create problems, or where footpaths need attention? Please let your parish councillors (or the Parish Post) know.

Next meeting: 9 November, 8pm, Kempton Village Hall.

Gisèle & Tom Wall

Bedstone Village Hall

Calling All Beatles Fans!

8 Days a Week

13 October, 7.30 pm

The early years of the Beatles, from their club dates in Liverpool, England, to their concert tours in Europe and the rest of the world. Tel 01547 530282.

Lydbury North Village Hall

 **Baker's Fabulous Boys**

Saturday 14 October

This exciting Cheshire-based band, which plays a mixture of Bluegrass and Country music, return again. Admission £7.50 adults, £5 U16s, door & bar open at 7.30pm. To book ring Ian on 680511.

Clungunford Parish Hall

Lion (cert PG)

Friday 27 October 8pm

A film and curry evening

Film only: adults £4, children £2 contact Maureen (660781) or Ann (660727).

Curry and film: £14, tickets from Judy (660793) or Val (660251) must be booked and paid for in advance. Numbers for the meal are restricted to 60. Any offers of help in the cooking of curries will be gratefully received.

Aston on Clun Village Hall

Their Finest (cert 12A)

Saturday 21 October 7.30pm

The film tells the story of Catrin Cole, a Welsh secretary (based on a real person), in London at the height of the Blitz who finds herself on the writing staff of a propaganda film about the Dunkirk evacuation. Tickets £5.00 adults, £2.00 for U18s.

Birmingham Christmas

Shopping Trip

Friday 1 December

Leaving the village hall at 8.30am and arriving back around 5.30pm

Ticket price £12

Book early to avoid disappointment call

David Jones 660493

Funding for Local Projects

The Community Shop in Aston on Clun is making a small amount of funding available to help pay for projects that benefit local residents of Hopesay Parish and Edgton, Clunbury and Clungunford Parishes. Application forms are available in the Shop. Final date for submission is 31 October and a decision will be made by 30 November. The maximum award is £300 but this may be scaled back if there are a lot of deserving applications. The projects must be 'not for profit'. The other criteria are set out on the application form.

Advice to All Riparian Landowners

If you own or lease land or property which contains, or is next to, a watercourse (eg: river, stream, ditch culvert), this applies to you. You have the following rights and responsibilities.

You have rights to

- Receive a flow of water in its natural state, without undue interference in quantity or quality;
- Protect your property against flooding from the watercourse;
- Prevent erosion of the watercourse banks or any structure.

You have responsibilities to:

- Maintain the bank and bed of your section of the watercourse;
- Ensure any obstruction of flow in the watercourse is avoided.

How to maintain a watercourse:

- Keep vegetation growth under control;
- Keep watercourse free of debris (litter, grass cuttings, fallen trees/branches);
- Remove excess silt.

Contact Shropshire Council Drainage and Flooding Department for more information.

Let's talk about Children's Mental Health Services in Shropshire

Everyone welcome to attend our constituency meeting to discuss children's mental health services in the area

Bishop's Mascall Centre, Ludlow

Friday 6 October 10am-12.30pm

South Staffs. & Shropshire Healthcare NHS Foundation Trust

Events Diary for October 2017

Sun 1	11.15am	Morning Prayer	St Swithin's, Clunbury
Sun 1	From 3pm	Vintage Afternoon Tea	Kempton Village Hall
Sun 1	6pm	Harvest Praise Song Service-661171- Note change of venue	Aston on Clun Village Hall
Mon 2	9-11.30am	Parent&Toddler Group-every Mon in term time. Just turn up	Clunbury Village Hall
Tue 3	7.30pm	Flicks—Lady Macbeth—680302	Lydbury North Village Hall
Wed 4		Quiz—proceeds to Midlands Air Ambulance	Kangaroo Inn, Aston on Clun
Thu 5	11am/1.30pm	Clydebuilt Theatre Co—Dinosaur Detectives-630321/630038	SpArC
Fri 6	7pm	Harvest Festival followed by supper in the village hall	St Swithin's, Clunbury
Fri 6	7.30pm	BC Railway Society: Steam on the Cambrian-638998	BC Methodist Hall
Sat 7	10am-4.30pm	Woodland Fair	Redlake Valley Village Hall
Sun 8	11.15am	BCP Holy Communion	St Swithin's, Clunbury
Sun 8	2pm	Royal Opera House-La Bohème Encore	SpArC
Tue 10	Mobile Library: Clunbury Bridge 10.10-10.30am, Clunton 10.40-11.00am, Obley 12.45-12.55pm		
Tue 10	2pm	Flicks—A Dog's Purpose—630321/630038	SpArC
Wed 11	7pm	RSC—Coriolanus—630321/630038	SpArC
Wed 11	8pm	Bishop's Castle Film Society—The Wonders (Le Meraviglie)	Three Tuns, Bishop's Castle
Thu 12	10-11.30am	Clunbury Café	Clunbury Village Hall
Thu 12	7.30pm	Uchenna Dance-The Head Wrap Diaries-630321/630038	SpArC
Fri 13	7.30pm	Flicks—8 Days a Week—01547-530282	Bedstone Village Hall
Sat 14	10am-4pm	Clunton Scrumpers Juicing Day with Soup & Puds-660309	Clunton Village Hall
Sat 14	7.30pm	Baker's Fabulous Boys—680511	Lydbury North Village Hall
Sun 15	11.15am	CW Holy Communion with Bishop Richard	St Swithin's, Clunbury
Thu 19	7pm	Flicks—Moonlight—630321/630038	SpArC
Fri 20	7.30pm	Flicks—Laura—680302	Lydbury North Village Hall
Fri 20	7.30pm	Forget Me Not-The Alzheimer's Who Dunit-660152	Parish Hall, Clungunford
Sat 21	10am-2pm	Churchyard clearing with hot dogs	St Swithin's, Clunbury
Sat 21	10am-1pm	Craft & Collectables Market	Aston on Clun Village Hall
Sat 21	7.30pm	Flicks—Denial—640254	Clun Memorial Hall
Sat 21	7.30pm	Flicks—Their Finest—660545	Aston on Clun Village Hall
Sun 22	11.15am	United CWHC	St Mary's, Clunton
23-27 October		Clunbury School Half Term Holiday	
Tue 24	Mobile Library: Clunbury Bridge 10.10-10.30am, Clunton 10.40-11.00am, Obley 12.45-12.55pm		
Tue 24	7.30pm	North Country Theatre--680302/680366	Edgton Village Hall
Wed 25		Tim's Travels—Wait Until Dark—640506	Malvern Theatre
Wed 25	7.30pm	SWS Gardening Club-Don't Fall Out of Love with Winter+ AGM	Lydbury North Village Hall
Wed 25	8pm	Bishop's Castle Film Society—Triple Agent	Three Tuns, Bishop's Castle
Thu 26	10-11.30am	Clunbury Café	Clunbury Village Hall
Fri 27	8pm	Flicks—Lion—660159	Clungunford Hall
Sat 28	10am-2pm	Churchyard clearing with hot dogs	St Swithin's, Clunbury
Sun 29	9.45am	Benefice United CW Holy Communion	St Mary's, Hopesay
Sun 29	2pm	Royal Ballet Live-Alice's Adventures in Wonderland (Ballet) Encore-630321/630038	SpArC
Sun 29	6.30pm	Benefice United Evening Song with choir and refreshments	St Mary's, Hopesay

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